

THE EAGLE'S "GRAVEL TRAIN"
Will furnish you with all the news up to
Three O'clock This Morning.
THE "SLOW FAST MAIL" TRAIN
Will furnish the same news in the half-
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TO CHASE THE SUNSET

Rock Island to be Extended in the Spring.

WEST OUT OF EL RENO

Into a Veritable World's Granary.

BOARD OF TRADE ACTS

Decides Also That the Eagle is All Right—Fine Rains Make Oklahoma Farmers Happy.

El Reno, O. T., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—El Reno's prosperity has started the railroads in doing something that will be a benefit to the city and country west. No sooner had the Choctaw started its surveying party than the Rock Island followed suit. Both roads know the value of the country around Arapahoe, Colony, Cloud Chief, Cheyenne and other small towns, and they have also tumbled to the fact that El Reno, with all its improvements and institutions, now under good headway, is destined to be a city of vast importance, and for that reason they are making it a division terminus of both roads. Engineer Robert W. Day, with a corps of men, arrived in the city this morning and they have already commenced work. Mr. Day told the Eagle correspondent it was the intention of the road to build as far west as Arapahoe without any unnecessary delay. He said also that a line would be built eastward to the coal fields. The Rock Island road has been Oklahoma's best friend since the opening of the territory, and now when the vast lands are gradually being settled and a good prospect for a fine wheat crop is almost assured, the road is going to do what the Eagle said it would several months ago—build a line into the best country on the face of the globe. Two years from now El Reno, instead of being the third city in the territory, will be mighty close to the trombone player when the population is counted.

BOARD OF TRADE BUSY

The board of trade held an enthusiastic meeting in the district court room yesterday evening. It is now an assured fact that the cotton seed oil mill will be built here in a few days to perfect arrangements. The committee on stock yards are jubilant, for it is almost a certain thing the yards will be built. A considerable amount of money has been collected and it is in the hands of the treasurer to be used in repairing roads and building culverts. The depot committee reported that the Rock Island people will build a new passenger depot nearer the business part of the city in the near future.

THE EAGLE IS GOOD ENOUGH

Ham Sawyer, formerly connected with the Wichita Mirror, came before the board with a scheme to advertise El Reno. The scheme was in the shape of a magazine with a write-up and three cuts showing the cotton compress, cotton gin and the big cotton parade. A committee was appointed to look into the matter, and after due deliberation decided that the Eagle was the only foreign advertising medium needed at present.

FINE RAINS IN OKLAHOMA

Snow Some Places, But All the Same to the Wheat.

Newkirk, O. T., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—A steady rain set in this morning and has continued all day, with no signs of abatement. This, with the rains of a few days ago, puts the wheat in fine condition.

El Reno, O. T., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—This section of the country was visited last night and today by a fine rain. The wheat is looking fine and the farmers are busy plowing their lands for corn. The prospect of an early spring has started the farmers to blacksmith shops to have their plows and other farm implements put in shape.

Alva, O. T., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—A fine snow has been falling since 4 o'clock this morning, very wet and heavy. There is no wind and the snow is not less than five inches on the level, and still at it. We also had a gentle rain a few days ago, general over the county. The wheat prospect all over the county is as good if not better than last year. In 1897, Woods county's yield was as good as in 1897. Woods county's yield will exceed 2,000,000 bushels, which is not bad for a four-year-old county.

Our normal college is full and overflowing. There are over 100 students, and there would be more if there were room for them. When our new college is finished it will start up the fall term of 1898 with not less than 250 students. John E. Ament is a hustler, and his methods are superior in every way. Our public school of four rooms is overflowing, and the principal, Mr. G. W. Durham, at his wit's end, as well as the school board, as to the means to accommodate all who apply for admission. Our public schools are second to none in the territory. Mr. Durham is the proper man to fill the position, and he is ably assisted by his corps of teachers.

FOUND DEAD IN A CHURCH

Heart Disease Ends the Career of Cashier Wiggins of Norman.

Norman, O. T., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—J. J. Wiggins, cashier of the Norman State bank, was found dead in the sacristy of the Episcopal church this evening. His accounts are all straight and his domestic life happy, so the suicide theory is not entertained. Heart disease is given as the cause by the doctor.

Later, Cashier Wiggins, committed suicide by taking laudanum. He left a letter to his wife, formerly a Miss Howard of Wichita, stating his deliberate purpose, and leaving her his property and

SUICIDED IN EL RENO

Young Man Named Walton, Said to be of Wichita.

El Reno, O. T., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—John Walton, a night clerk at the Cyclone restaurant, was found dead in bed. An empty bottle, said to have contained morphine, was found near the body. Dr. Hatchett and Coroner Perry were summoned. The doctor said Walton came to his death by taking an overdose of morphine. Deceased was a young man of about 23 years of age. He came to El Reno about two months ago, was very quiet and did not tell anything about his relatives or where he came from. Before he died he wrote on the fly leaf of a book: "God have mercy on my soul." A young man told the Eagle correspondent Walton came from Wichita to this city.

NEW BONDS FURNISHED

By Treasurer and Sheriff of Oklahoma County.

Oklahoma City, Jan. 14.—(Special.)—County Treasurer W. L. Alexander has given a new bond that is perhaps the best in Oklahoma territory. It is for \$5,000 and is signed by L. F. Kramer, George W. Outcalt, J. W. Walters, Whit M. Grant, Edward H. Cooke, J. L. Wilkin, F. M. Riley, W. S. Patton, W. W. Storm and A. L. Dunn. The new bond was given to release Messrs. Reynolds and Hoyle, who are going out of business in this city and who were on the original bond. The funds of the people would, however, be safe in Treasurer Alexander's hands without bonds, yet the funds are now doubly sure.

Sheriff J. R. Barrows also gave a new bond for \$1,000 with excellent sureties viz: J. H. Wheeler, T. W. Williamson and Richard Avey.

SUPPLEMENTARY OF STATEHOOD

Explaining Some Things Which Puzzled Some People.

Kingfisher, O. T., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—There will always be considerable controversy about the statehood conventions here and just what controlled some of their peculiar actions. Laying all petty differences aside, what the conventions met for was to resolve for statehood, and this they did. The resolutions adopted at the joint convention at night were as follows:

"Resolved, by the people of Oklahoma Territory, assembled in delegate convention at Kingfisher for the purpose of considering the statehood question, that we earnestly urge upon the congress of the United States the passage of an enabling act at its present session providing for the admission of Oklahoma as a state with such boundaries as, in the wisdom of congress, will best subserve the cause of good government; provided that if Oklahoma and the Indian Territory are included in the enabling act, that the residents in each of the five civilized tribes and Oklahoma shall vote separately upon the acceptance or rejection of a state situation, which shall be operated for such of said sections as accepted;

"That this convention earnestly favors the passage of the free homes bill, which has passed the United States senate and is now pending in the house of representatives."

The most important action taken by the joint convention was the appointment of a permanent executive committee consisting of Joe Wisby, Democrat; Sidney Clarke, Democrat; C. C. Hudson, Populist; Colonel Bradley, Republican; T. B. Ferguson, Republican, and Frank Gillette, ex-officio member, Republican.

No one was dissatisfied with the way things turned out. After the afternoon Republican convention, Governor Barnes went back to Guthrie and most of his forces departed from the town with him before going he said to a representative of the Eagle:

"I am entirely satisfied with the way affairs turned out. I didn't want a fusion convention."

"What about the declaration of the Kingfisher delegation that they will join in the night convention?"

"I don't care how they do. The Republican convention is adjourned."

Chairman Grimes, when asked how he felt, said:

"I am satisfied. We wanted a Republican declaration for statehood and we got it. Governor Barnes was against statehood simply because he had said it wasn't anything in his message, and he wanted to be consistent."

Mr. Virgil Hobbes and Mr. O'Rourke, representing other parties, said they were pleased with the result.

One of the explanations which came today is as follows: The Republican convention had finished its work in the afternoon and Grimes wanted it to adjourn. He wrote a note to Jacob Admire, telling Admire to adjourn the convention. It so happened that the Republican representatives, representing Barnes, also wanted an adjournment. Tom Farrar carried Grimes' note to Governor Barnes and Governor Barnes passed it along to Governor Seay. Governor Barnes handed it to Mr. Cunningham, and Mr. Cunningham got up and stated that a note had come into his possession, though it was not addressed to him, and read it. On hearing it, the Grimes men and Barnes men both unanimously adjourned. A good many people did not understand this note transaction and are puzzled about it yet. It fell into Barnes' hands by accident.

Another thing not generally understood about the convention is that a large number of Republican delegates had a caucus about 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon and decided to attend the joint convention at night, while agreeing that the Republican convention should be adjourned, permitting those who did not want to act with the free silver forces to go home.

Particularly fine excitement is heard here on Sidney Clarke's mannerly reply to the address of welcome of Mayor Winkler in the night convention.

El Reno Nimrod's Return

El Reno, O. T., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—Major Woodson, Fred Wright, Judge Burford, George Morrow and George Bellamy returned yesterday evening from a hunting trip on the South Canadian. The hunters had "flushings" of fun and brought home with them twenty-five quail and 100 rabbits.

Mexico City, Jan. 14.—Four Americans have been arrested here and are rigorously interrogated, being suspected of complicity in robberies of great magnitude. The gang number twelve men.

POPE IN A NEW ROLE

In Favor of Republicanism For Italy.

VATICAN VS. QUIRINAL

Pronouncement Augurs Ill For the Monarchy.

London, Jan. 14.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily Chronicle, in a startling statement this morning, quotes largely from an article in "Civiltà" which he declares is directly inspired by the Vatican and the pope, advocating the solution of the eternal question between the Vatican and the Quirinal, the establishment of an eastern republic. The article, which is based on the pope's Christmas allocution, declares that the thing which stands opposed to papal independence is not Italian unity, but "the special and concrete form wherein that unity is at present maintained with results much more disastrous to the state than to the holy see."

It proceeds to assert that the co-existence of the Vatican and the Italian monarchy is incompatible and that one or the other must go. It then suggests the constitutions of Switzerland and America as an example of "admirable and glorious constitutions, true union of state and nation, though differing from that of Italy, which has produced nothing but weakness, misery and starvation."

The article concludes: "Without the aid of foreign bayonets, the true Italy will find for itself its own way and will rise again, let us hope, from the ignominy in which it now lies prostrate, to true greatness."

The Daily Chronicle's correspondent asserts that this is a revelation to the outer world of the policy actuating the inner mind of Cardinal Rampolla (papal secretary of state).

He adds: "Probably there would be no truth in the supposition that neither Cardinal Rampolla or the pope has any idea of even a temporary alliance with a republican party, but yet they believe that while peace with the king is impossible, it might be possible with a republic. The reason for this astounding pronouncement at this moment is the belief that not only the monarchy but the dynasty itself is menaced more seriously than usual."

KINGFISHER'S POULTRY SHOW

Opens With More Than Three Hundred Exhibits in Place.

Kingfisher, O. T., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—The second annual poultry show, of the Oklahoma Poultry association, which is now being held in this city, opened with more than 300 exhibits. There are eighty-seven different standard and a large number of promiscuous, varieties of chickens raised in this country and the Oklahoma Poultry association have on show here in this city some excellent specimens of each.

The standard varieties are divided as follows:

American Class—Barred, Buff, Peacomb Barred and White Plymouth Rock, Silver Golden, White, Buff and Black Wyandott; Black, Mottled and White Java; American Dominiques and Jersey Blues.

Asiatic Class—Light and Dark Brahmas; Buff, Partridge, White and Black Cochins; Black and White Langshans, Mediterranean Class—Brown, Rose Comb White, Black, Dominique, Buff and Silver Duck Wing Leghorns; Black and White Minorcas and Adalians and Black Spanish.

Polish Class—White Crested Black, Golden Silver, White, Bearded Golden, Bearded Silver, Bearded White and Buff Laced.

Hamburg Class—Golden Spangled, Silver Spangled, Golden Penciled, White and Black Hamburgs, Redcups, Silver and Golden Campines.

English Class—White, Silver Gray and Colored Dorkings.

Game and Bantam Class—Black-breasted Red, Brown Red, Golden Duck Wing, Silver Duck Wing, Red Pile, White, Black and Birchen Games, with the same varieties for Bantams; Cornish and White Indian Games; Malays and Black Sumatra Games.

Bantam Class (other than Game)—Golden and Silver Sebright; White and Black Rose Comb, Boot White, Buff, Bearded, White and Black, Black-tailed, White and Black Japanese and White-crested White Pollys.

White Guinea; Speckled Guinea, Toulouse Geese.

Monmouth Bronze Turkey, weight 40 pounds; these exhibits came from Illinois.

Chinese Geese.

White Pekin Ducks.

All of which can be seen in the Baird building during the remainder of the week.

Hon. J. C. Caldwell, president of the association, together with his corps of assistants, will be on hand daily to receive exhibits, and politely give a history and description of the various birds on show to those visiting and desirous of purchasing the most popular variety of poultry for the farm or market purposes.

RELIEF EXPEDITION HELD UP

Government is Afraid of Going on a Wild Goose Chase.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 14.—General Merriam, commanding the department of the Columbia, this morning received a telegram from the war department instructing him to postpone the departure of the relief expedition to Alaska. Accordingly, the contract to ship the expedition from this port on the steamship Oregon, January 23, has been withdrawn. The pack train is still held at Fort Van Couver and the drilling of the guard for it will go on. The relief expedition is a temporary abandonment of the expedition, and it is understood that there was no starvation or suffering in the Yukon country that the government relief expedition could relieve. Agent Posten, of the Pacific Coast Steamship company, stated that his company is glad to be relieved of the contract

TO TRANSPORT THE GOVERNMENT PACK TRAIN TO ALASKA, AS IT ALREADY HAS MORE BUSINESS OFFERED THAN IT CAN POSSIBLY HANDLE.

The steamer George Elder sailed to-night for Skagway and Dyea with 300 passengers and a full cargo. Six hundred horses and nearly 600 dogs go out by the Elder.

DORA'S LIFE IN DANGER

Clell Richardson Tries to Kill General Cassius M. Clay's Child-Wife.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 14.—A special to the Times-Herald from Valley View says: General Cassius M. Clay's young wife, Dora, barely escaped death at 11:30 o'clock this morning at the hands of her brother, Clell Richardson, at whose house she has been boarding ever since she left the general two months ago. He fired two shots at her with a large pistol at a distance of twenty paces, and he then fired a shot at Mrs. John Bryant, his mother-in-law, who was with her.

Dora ran to the arms of her sister, Mrs. Kelly, a mild infant, which she took to her. Clell declared tonight he would kill Dora if she does not leave the Kelly house.

FORT SMITH'S DEATH LIST

It is Believed That It Will Run Past Fifty Mark.

Fort Smith, Ark., Jan. 14.—Two names were added today to the death list of the victims of the cyclone. Ann Savage died last night and H. H. Hunter died at noon. This makes the total number of dead 45. It is believed that at least two more bodies are under the ruins of the Burgess hotel. A cook and a man named Run are missing. Of the wounded, two are expected to die and it is now certain that the death list will exceed 50.

M'KENNAN ROCKY ROAD

Senate Has Trouble With Itself in Executive Session.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Almost the entire four hours of the executive session of the senate today were devoted to the discussion of the nomination of Hon. Joseph McKenna, now attorney general, to be associate justice of the supreme court. The discussion was the result of an effort on the part of Senator Allen (Pop., Neb.) to secure a postponement for two weeks. In the end a compromise was reached deferring consideration until a week from today.

The Hawaiian treaty was not touched upon during the session.

The debate upon Mr. McKenna's nomination was precipitated by Senator Jones, chairman of the committee on judiciary, who called up the nomination in accordance with his notice of yesterday and asked for immediate action. In doing this Mr. Hoar spoke briefly of the opposition to Mr. McKenna, saying that the judiciary committee had investigated most of the charges made and had reached the conclusion that they were without foundation. He said that the greater number of charges had been made by the members of the American Protective association and as they had been founded solely upon the fact that Mr. McKenna was a Catholic in religion they had not been deemed worthy of serious consideration. Mr. Hoar dwelt at some length upon this point, exhorting any man who would attempt to inject a question of religion into a controversy over a man's fitness for office. He said that such an effort was entirely un-American and unpatriotic and should not for a moment receive the consideration of the fair-minded men.

Senator White of California also spoke of the effort of the A. P. A. to interfere with the course of the senate in giving proper attention to a question the determination of which should depend upon the merits of the case rather than upon a man's man and man. He said that an appeal to bigotry, prejudice and a false claim of patriotism. He spoke of the A. P. A.'s as a body who could not be properly characterized in the senate.

McKenna's confirmation should depend entirely on different considerations. As for himself, while he did not contend that Mr. McKenna was a giant in his legal and political career, he believed him to be an honorable man, a competent lawyer and a just jurist and he should support his confirmation.

It was here that Mr. Allen interposed an objection to immediate action. When his request for two weeks delay was met with refusal he took the floor and proceeded to give his reasons for the request, which were, in the main, that he wanted, and he thought the senate should have given it. He called attention to the importance of the office to which Mr. McKenna had been named, saying it was a place which he would occupy probably during the remainder of his life, and that the senate and the American public had a right to demand that the charges should be sifted to the bottom.

He said that so far as the opposition of the A. P. A. was concerned it did not influence him in the least and he was not with all that had been said as to the impropriety of any interference in a matter of this character on account of religious prejudices or predilections. There were still other charges which were, to his mind, far more serious, and to prove that such was the case he read at length all letters and newspapers attacking Mr. McKenna's record as an attorney and jurist and of the ground of legal attainments. The greater part of Mr. Allen's speech was devoted to reading those documents.

He called special attention to an attack made by the bar of the Pacific coast, which, he said, was deserving of more scrutiny than had been given it. He also stated that he had understood that the charge had been made that large corporations had been instrumental in securing Mr. McKenna's nomination. He thought this matter should be looked into more thoroughly than the senate had had opportunity to do.

Mr. Allen disclaimed any intention to father any of the charges made but asserted that his sole purpose was to secure that he might himself vote for Mr. McKenna's confirmation but that before doing so he desired to be convinced that the assertions made derogatory to Mr. McKenna's character as a jurist were without foundation.

It was 4:30 in the afternoon before an agreement was reached for concluding the McKenna matter at the sitting on next Friday and by general consent the senate postponed consideration of the Hawaiian treaty until the next Monday.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 14.—Major Herford manager of the Eureka Athletic club, has hung up a purse of \$1,000 for a go-between Kid McCoy and Charlie Goff, the mid-weight champion winner of 140 lbs. per cent of the receipts. Build McCoy, Goff's manager, has accepted for Goff

CLEARING THE DECKS

Tripartite Free Silver Conference Held.

FOR ALLIANCE IN 1900

Pops Will Experiment With Referendum.

Washington, Jan. 14.—As the result of conferences held within the last few days between the silver leaders of various parties, it is understood that Chairman Jones, of the Democratic national committee; Chairman Butler, of the Populist national committee, and Chairman Towne of the National Silver Republican committee, will issue a joint manifesto the early part of next week, with a view to securing common action by the three organizations in the political contest of 1900.

The draft of the document is now in course of preparation. It will appeal to all those interested in the cause of silver to work in union and to avoid rival organizations by which their common strength will be dissipated. The talks among the silver men continued today but they did not take the shape of a formal conference. Chairman Towne had returned from the contest at Columbus, where he assisted in the opposition to Mr. Hanna. He was about the house of representatives talking with Representative Bland and other silver exponents. The feeling developed was generally in favor of common action among all the silver elements. Messrs. Jones, Butler and Towne will confer further during the next few days and the addresses will then be made public. On the 18th inst. the American Bimetallist union, of which General Warner of Ohio is chairman, holds its meeting and this is expected to give further cohesion to the silver movement.

TO POLL THE RANK AND FILE

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 14.—The Populists concluded their work in this city by giving out the details for setting in motion their novel plan of taking a referendum vote of the rank and file of their party. The questions submitted are:

"What date is your choice for holding a national convention for the nomination of presidential candidates—Monday, July 4, 1898; Tuesday, 28, 1898, or Thursday, February 22, 1900?"

The ballots are similar to the Australian ticket and will be polled by the local committees and Populist press.

Milton Park of Texas, chairman of the national organization committee, and George W. Washburne of Massachusetts, member of the national executive committee, were among the first to leave the city. Both men were highly pleased with the action of their party and the settlement of the clamor for a new party. A majority of the national committee have expressed themselves in favor of an early conference for adjusting their differences and outlining a policy for 1900. The leaders of the middle-of-the-road element expressed themselves today as desirous that the work of re-organization be conducted strictly within the party, so as to merit the approval of the national committee.

FINANCING IN INDIA

Issue of Currency Notes Against Gold Proposed.

Calcutta, Jan. 14.—Sir James Westland, the finance minister of the council, introduced a bill today providing for the issue of currency notes in India against gold. Mr. Arthur, the paid secretary of state in London, in behalf of the banks and chambers of commerce, endorsed the measure.

The finance minister said the Indian money market was experiencing a period of extreme stringency. The local resources were unable to supply the demands of trade. The scarcity, he explained, was due to the banks remitting their capital home and keeping as little as possible in India. This policy was adopted before the legislation of 1883, and was not in consequence of that legislation. But while they were advancing toward the attainment of a 150 rupee per sterling capital to India in exchange, the banks must operate upon commercial principles and no blame was attached to them.

Sir James Westland denied the allegation that the government was holding out money in order to starve commerce and force an exchange; but the recent demands on the government had been so heavy that it had been obliged to ask the secretary of state to intermit the drawings. The amount in hand was ample to insure the convertibility of the Indian notes. Therefore, there was no risk from a currency point of view.

GERMAN WARSHIP DISABLED

Down About Where Prince Henry Is Supposed to be.

Perth, Jan. 14.—The British steamer Duenera, from Southampton on December 2, for Bombay, reports having seen a German warship disabled condition. The warships Deutschland and Gefion, under the command of Prince Henry of Prussia, are now on their way to China. They were last heard from at Port Said, where they arrived January 5 last.

London, Jan. 14.—Perth, from which place the British steamer Duenera reports having seen a German warship in a disabled condition, is on the island of that name at the entrance of the Red Sea.

PARIS STUDENTS RAISE RIOT

Zola's Pro-Dreyfusian Attitude Does Not Please Them

Paris, Jan. 14.—A number of law students after leaving a lecture today, marched in procession to the office of the Aurore, shouting denunciations of M. Emile Zola. The students also made disorderly demonstrations in front of the office of the Aurore, and were dispersed by the police.

There was a renewal this evening of anti-Zola demonstrations when a band of students paraded the Boulevard St. Michel shouting "down with Zola," "down with the Jews." The police dispersed the students. Bows were exchanged between the rioters and the officers.

Later the students reassembled across the river Seine and descended the boulevard.

BULLETIN OF The Wichita Daily Eagle.

Wichita, Saturday, January 15, 1898

Weather For Wichita Today:
Clearing; colder; north winds
Sun—Rises, 7:23; Sets 4:59
Moon—Rises 1:19

IMPORTANT NEWS OF TODAY

1. Prosperity Busy in Oklahoma

Pope Leo Favors a Republic

Tripartite Silver Alliance

Figures Which Prove Prosperity

2. To Investigate Indian Burning

Cuban War Scare Subsides

3. British Engineers Yielding

Police Pension Funds in Chicago

Activity in Stocks and Bonds

5. Toler Can Not be Commissioner

New Park Being Planned

Appellate Court Work

6. Homing Pigeons For the Klondike

Yards. The people on the omnibuses joined in the cries of the students. The police finally dispersed the students on the Avenue de l'Opera.

JUST LET HIM DISINHERIT

Is the Defiant Sentiment of Two San Diego Sweethearts.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 14.—The romantic marriage in this city of Vernon Van Norman to Miss Maud Thiene on Jan. 1 has just been brought to light. The home of both is in San Diego, California, where they are well known. Van Norman paid attention to Miss Thiene until his father, who is a wealthy physician of San Diego objected and threatened to disinherit him. The young man came here to study medicine. During the holidays Miss Thiene came east to visit relatives and the wedding followed. The couple are spending their honeymoon in Minneapolis, Minn.

FOX-HUNTING ON BICYCLES

Novelty in the Way of Sport in North Dakota.

Fargo, N. D., Jan. 14.—There has been a novel course of sport near Fargo. The dog fanciers who have greyhounds on exhibition at the kennel shop took their dogs out five miles south of the city for a jackrabbit chase. No jackrabbits could be found, but the crowd was lucky enough to strike a fox and enjoyed a splendid chase. About 300 people had gone out from Fargo to see the sport. A number who were on bicycles enjoyed the chase to the limit. It is probably the first fox-hunting party that ever went to the chase on bicycles, and the matter is all the more noteworthy when it is considered that it was in what is termed the Arctic North Dakota, but in the middle of January and without a particle of snow on the ground, bicycling being as good as in Florida.

TO PAY BRITISH SEALERS

President McKinley Recommends an Appropriation.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The president today submitted to congress the awards and report of the commission appointed under the terms of the treaty of 1896 to adjust the claims of British subjects for losses sustained through the seizure of their sealing vessels in Bering sea. In his letter of transmittal the president says:

"The report of the secretary of state presents a clear epitome of the award and renders unnecessary any extended observations on my part, further than to say that I cordially coincide with the recommendation and that our treaty obligations demand prompt and favorable action by congress, which I earnestly hope may be taken to the end that these long-pending questions may be finally and satisfactorily terminated."

"The total amount necessary to satisfy the award of the commissioners is \$473,151.26, which I recommend be appropriated."

(Signed) "WM. MCKINLEY."

Secretary Sherman's report sets out the appointment of the commissioners to adjust the claims and submits a list of the awards made, showing in detail the amount allowed on account of each of the following named vessels: Carolina, Thornton, Onward, Favorite, Seaward, Anna Beck, Alfred Adams, Grace Dolphin, Ada, Triumph, Juanita, Pathfinder, Black Diamond, Lilly, Ariel, Kate, Minnie, Winnifred, Henrietta and Hattie.

There were also allowed twenty-four personal claims to the following named persons: Munroe, Margovitch, Guttmann, Norman, Ogilvie, Blake, Warren, Reilly, Fesey, Laing, Olsen, Reese, Pettit and Lundberg.

The principal claim for vessels allowed amounts to \$254,188.81, and interest on this sum is allowed to the amount of